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ON JAN 10 EMBASSY DCM FARBER HAD OCCASION DISCUSS AALC ASSISTANCE TO MALAWI TUC WITH MINLABOR UNDER SECRETARY MACHINJILI. MACHINJILI CONFIRMED THAT GOM HAS LOST CONFIDENCE IN MTUC LEADERSHIP WHICH DESPITE AALC ASSISTANCE HAS PRODUCED INSUFFICIENT RESULT IN TERMS EXPANDED MEMBERSHIP, NEW UNIONS OR IMPROVED UNION PROCEDURES BUT INSTEAD SPENT TIME "DRAWING SALARIES AND RIDING AROUND IN CARS FURNISHED BY AALC". UNDER SECRETARY CONFIRMED THAT FOR THIS REASON MINLABOR AND MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY HAD MOVED INTO LABOR FIELD IN MORE DIRECT WAY. HE STATED HIS PERSONAL BELIEF THAT AALC ASSISTANCE HAD BEEN TO LARGE EXTENT WASTED AND THAT HE WOULD BE SURPRISED IF

FURTHER PROJECT PROPOSALS WERE ACCEPTED BY GOM. DCM, MAKING CLEAR EMB NOT TAKING POSITION BUT ONLY SEEKING CLARIFICATION, SUGGESTED GOM AND MINISTRY CONFER WITH AND STRAIGHTEN OUT QUESTION OF FURTHER AALC ASSISTANCE. UNDER SECRETARY SAID HE WOULD DISCUSS FURTHER WITH MINISTER DELEZA AND BE IN TOUCH. STEVENSON

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